

About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

ASSOCIATION is to blame for a distressing condition. The tired people into marriage, into love and even into the theatre, is poor Frank Case, proprietor of the Hotel Algonquin and member of the Lambs Club. Mr. Case isn't an actor—he admits it; yet he soon to appear on Broadway in a play, and it all came about through his association with two members of the acting profession. When he needed a vacation recently, and De Wolf Hopper and Douglas Fairbanks suggested by wire that he make a trip to California and see them act in pictures, he did. And then it happened. They grabbed him, subdued him, tormented him out in cowboy raiment and made him appear as Sheriff in the Fine Arts film in which Mr. Fairbanks is starred. Mr. Case merely did what the director told him to, and they do say he made a good Sheriff. He admits he found the work rather agreeable. Especially so when the intermissions when Mr. Hopper, Mr. Fairbanks and he repaired to a nearby refreshment parlor and indulged in chocolate soda. However, he says it's back to the hotel for him. Maybe; but you never can tell!

WAITING FOR OTTO KAHN.
At the Dillingham headquarters it is stated that so far as any plan Mr. Dillingham may have looking to the acquisition of the Century Theatre, nothing will be done until Otto Kahn returns from Florida. Mr. Kahn went south last week, saying he intended to remain ten days.

IT'S HARD TO CLASSIFY.
"Pay-Day," the new "film-legitimate" drama at the Cort Theatre, is causing much discussion and argument on Broadway. While most people seem to think it is a burlesque on the movies, there are many who believe it is meant as straight, honest-to-goodness melodrama. Wouldn't it be strange if the producers launched it as straight melodrama and then found they had a burlesque, capable of showing profits, on their hands?

WHEN OLIVE QUIT DANCING.
Olive McVine, who used to dance professionally at the Strand Roof, Castle House and the Jardin de Danse, decided recently to go in for business. Through a friend she obtained a position in the millinery department of a big store and went to work, fully intending to let dancing alone forever. The first customer assigned her was a like, handsome young buyer from a nearby town. The floorwalker chanced along a few minutes after Miss McVine had taken the young man in tow and almost fell dead when he saw them doing a one-step. "Yes," Miss McVine was saying, "that sailor hat is just the thing. Two steps to the right! Fine! Now two to the left!" "I like that hat, too," replied the buyer. "Better send me a dozen. Is the fox trot hard to do?" "Miss McVine!" came from the astonished floorwalker. "The dance ended, the sale was made and the buyer left. 'I hope,' said the young woman to the floorwalker later, 'that you're not provoked at me. You look as though you might dance awfully well, Mr. Squish.' Ten minutes after that Miss McVine and the floorwalker were doing a fox trot behind the hat cases. The next morning when the young woman arrived at the store, she had a small phonograph under her arm and the General Manager saw it. She isn't working there now.

GOSSIP.
Arthur E. Krowa is now in the dress department of the Triangle. When George M. Cohan was a small boy he wanted to be a burglar. A prize of \$100 will be awarded the most popular model in the Fashion Show at Castles in the Air Thursday night. Cleo Mayfield has been given a diamond-studded nose ring by the other members of the "Blue Paradise" company. She'll wear it too. W. F. Connor had a cablegram from Sarah Bernhardt, yesterday, in which she said she would surely visit America next October. Sid Wilmer and Frank McGinn have returned from the West Indies. Mr. Wilmer started back with a lot of parrots and monkeys, but all he

MATTER POP!



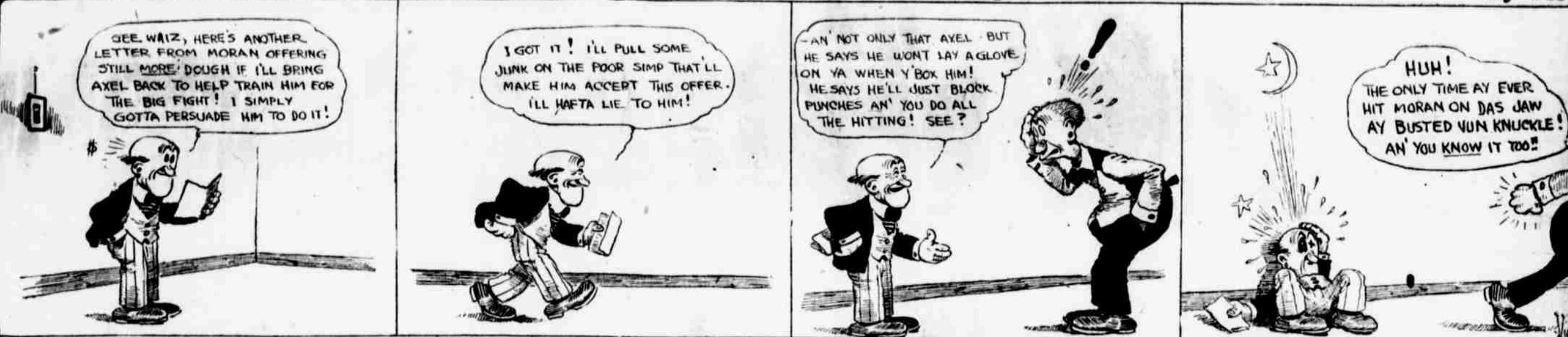
HENRY HASENPFEFFER—It Wasn't Only the Frosty Night Air That Gave Him Cold Feet!

By Bud Counihan



FLOOEY AND AXEL—It Will Take Stronger Arguments Than This to Get Axel Back on the Job Again!

By Vic



had on his arrival was one parrot. It's over at the Green Room Club now criticising the pool players. Marie Doro and Elliott Dexter, Marie Doro's husband, have gone to the Lasky studio, Hollywood, Cal., where they will act in pictures. The two hundredth performance of "Hit-the-Trail Holiday" will be given tomorrow night at the Harris. Herman Baker and Howard W. Schultz are to have a vaudeville act by Billy K. Wells called "Fifteen Minutes of Fire." They hope, however, it will be a four-alarm affair. A number of Danish soldiers received a big surprise at the Hippodrome yesterday when Miss Olive Fremstad presented them with a large Danish flag. They're on their way to the Danish West Indies. H. Sherman Martin, newspaper photographer, is lecturing at the Knickerbocker Theatre this week on

his film record of Villa's life. He likes it so well he may tour the country with the lecture. **CLUB TO HAVE "BEEFSTEAK."** The Green Room Club will have a "newspaper night" at the headquarters of the organization Sunday evening. It will be in the nature of a "beefsteak" with an especially prepared vaudeville show to follow. The guests of honor will be eight newspaper men—namely, Herbert Swope, Ralph Graves, Robert McAlarney, Frank O'Malley, Damon Runyon, Rozeman Bulger, Martin Green and Joe Vila. One of the features of the entertainment will be a skit called "The War Bridegroom," written by Hamish MacLaurin. It will be a burlesque on "War Brides." **HE LOVES YOU, FRANCES.** Eugene Sullivan, the Paramount Pictures Corporation's poet laureate, writes us to admit he's in love and to beg that we print a little rhyme

BOBBY IN ALPHABET LAND

By Eleanor Schorer



to the joyful boy. "Good morning, 'Mr. J.' Your son is a fine fellow and I am going to try and introduce him to all the people in Wide-Awake-Land. And whenever I feel like having a quiet chat with him I will think of the rollicking good time I had to-night with this happy lad." Joy and Bob were twice as good chums for the fact that the lad's happiness was of Bob's own making. (In the next story Bobby will meet 'Mr. K'.)

Severe Measures Demanded
A WOMAN went into a New York police station and began reading the Bible to the officers in charge. She was arrested promptly and taken to the Bellevue Hospital Insane ward and subjected to observation. This recalls the story of the man who went into Westminster Abbey and knelt in the aisle to pray. "He ran a vergor, who collared the kneeling man and proceeded to turn him over to the police. The man objected, whereupon the vergor replied: "If I don't make an example of you, sir, we'll 'ave people prayin' all over th' church!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"GOTHIC"

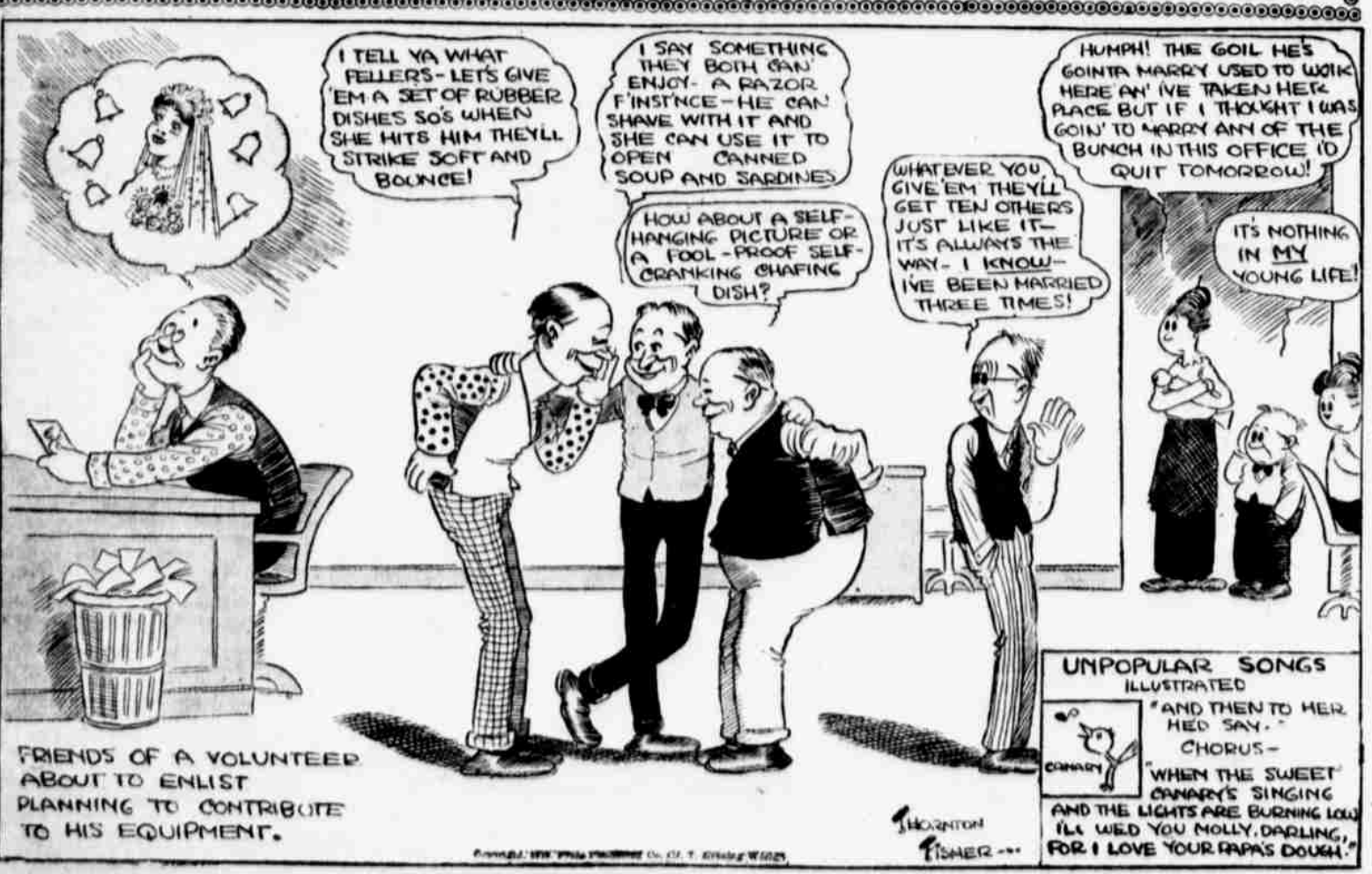
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